

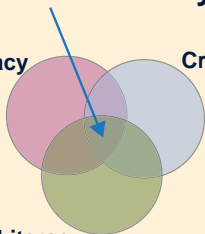
Designing a Library Website in the SharePoint Environment

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1. Information Fluency

Information Literacy

- Find
- Evaluate
- Use



Critical Thinking

- Critical Inquiry
- Thinking about your own thinking
- Discipline-based
- Criteria-based

Computer Literacy

- Learn how to learn new technology
- Familiarity with discipline/workplace tools

SharePoint Environment

- Widely adopted in workplaces
- University standard
- Modular design, no HTML needed
- Designed for collaboration

Practice critical thinking & use of high-quality information tools in an online environment encountered in workplaces.

2. Goals

- Easy navigation
- Easy to update & keep current
- Support information fluency
- Serve as 24/7 online library
- Gateway to resources
- Communication & interaction with users



3. Design & build process

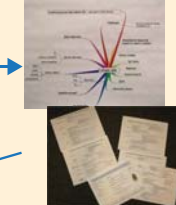
look at other sites



make a mockup



design site structure



choose webparts



Content Editor Web Part
- most pages



XML Web Part
- used to pull content from external site

prototype homepage look and feel



4. Testing & feedback

Formal Usability Testing:

- Small number of students & faculty
- Task-based & interviews
- Card matching

Informal Observations:

- Library staff feedback
- Student use, questions, comments
- Use in reference

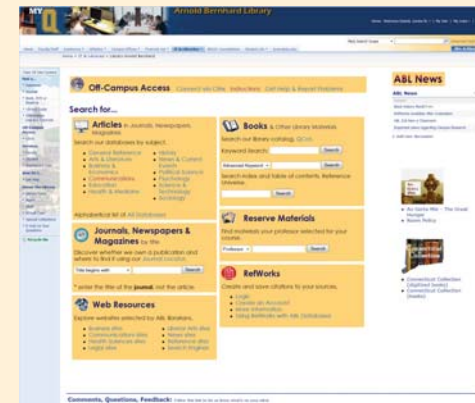
Positives:

- "I love the big colorful boxes. Much better!"
Faculty member
- "Really easy to use..."
Student
- "It's all right there – books, articles, journals"
Student

Concerns:

- Confusion between internal & external sites
- Authentication to site and then to resources
- Precise, clear wording

5. Current site



6. Future Projects

To Address Concerns:

- Redesign external site
- Redirect to Citrix based on ip address

University SharePoint Environment:

- Create more departmental websites

Library Website Improvements

- Better use of graphics
- More interactivity

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Library SharePoint Sites

The Library of Congress: <http://myloc.gov/pages/default.aspx>

Millikin University - Staley Library:
<https://www.millikin.edu/staley/Pages/default.aspx>

Robert Morris University Library: <http://www.robert-morris.edu/web/cms/academics/library/Pages/default.aspx>

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